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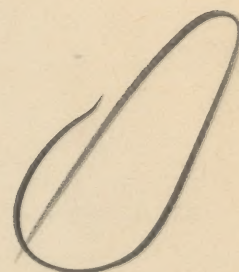
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NOTES AND DEFINITIONS

Area and Command:

Western Pacific Area comprises Australia, New Guinea and Islands, Philippines, Ryukyu Islands, Korea and Japan, and also refers to all U. S. Army personnel (except 8th and 20th Air Forces) located therein.

AFWESPAC refers to all U. S. Army personnel located in Australia, New Guinea and Islands, Philippines and Ryukyu Islands exclusive of troops under the jurisdiction of Armies, Air Forces and Air Transport Command.

Annual Rates Per Thousand:

Rates in the form of "annual rates per thousand men" are conventionally used in medical statistics and reporting. They serve the purpose of basing observations on a common time-period. Most annual rates in this report are based on observation of a month-long period; such rates can be converted to rough percentages for the month by dividing them by 120.

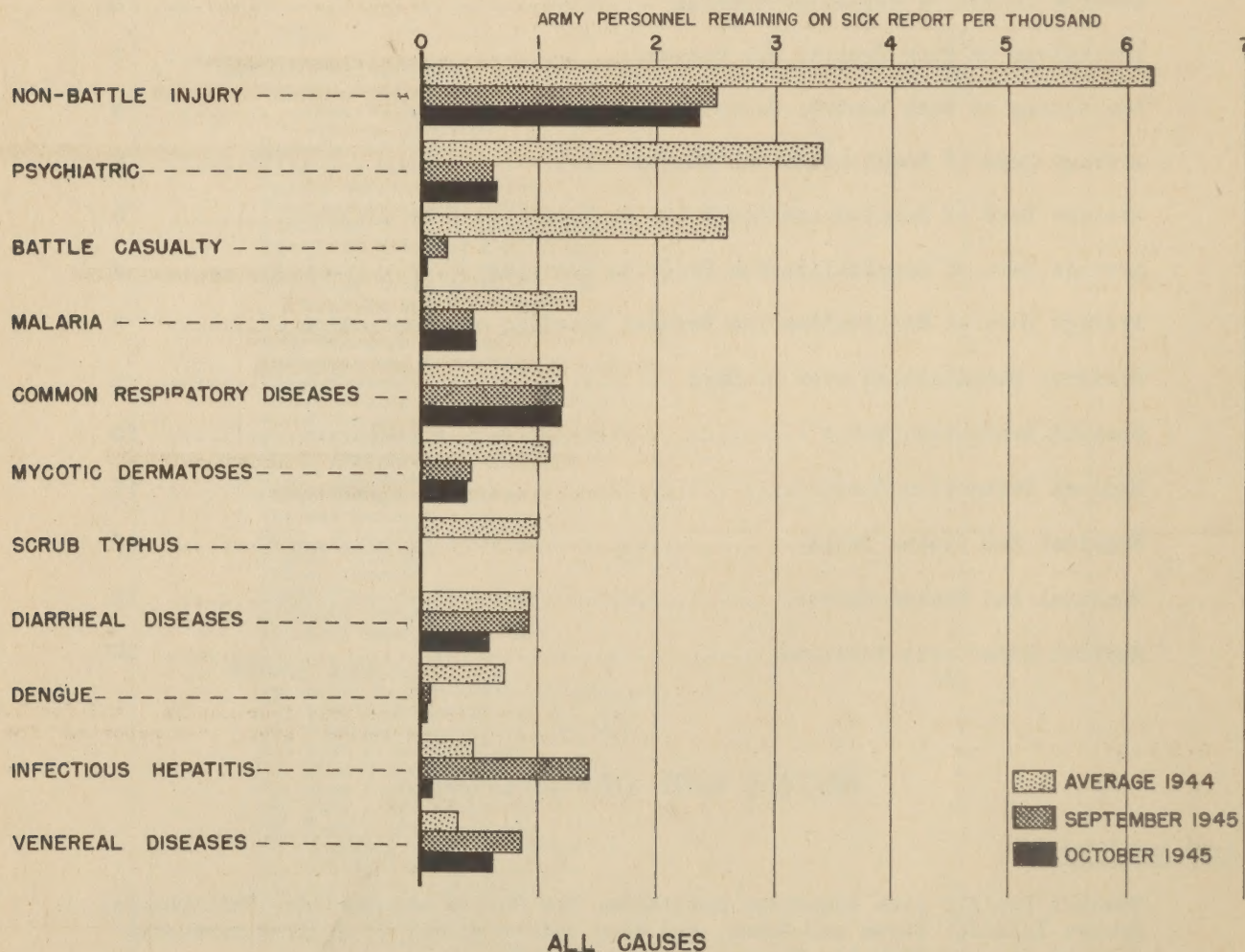
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DAILY NONEFFECTIVE RATE—WESTERN PACIFIC AREA SELECTED CAUSES

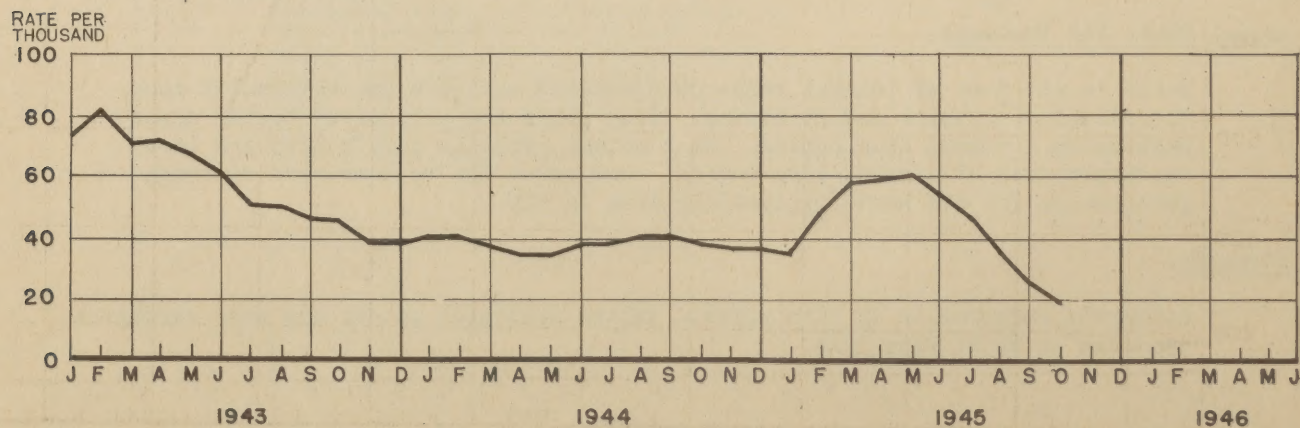
The October non-effective rates in the entire Western Pacific Area decreased slightly in all selected causes as compared with the previous

month. In all causes except infectious hepatitis and venereal diseases the October rates were substantially lower than the average for last year.



The October mean daily non-effective rate for all causes for the entire Western Pacific Area

decreased to a new low figure for the theater.

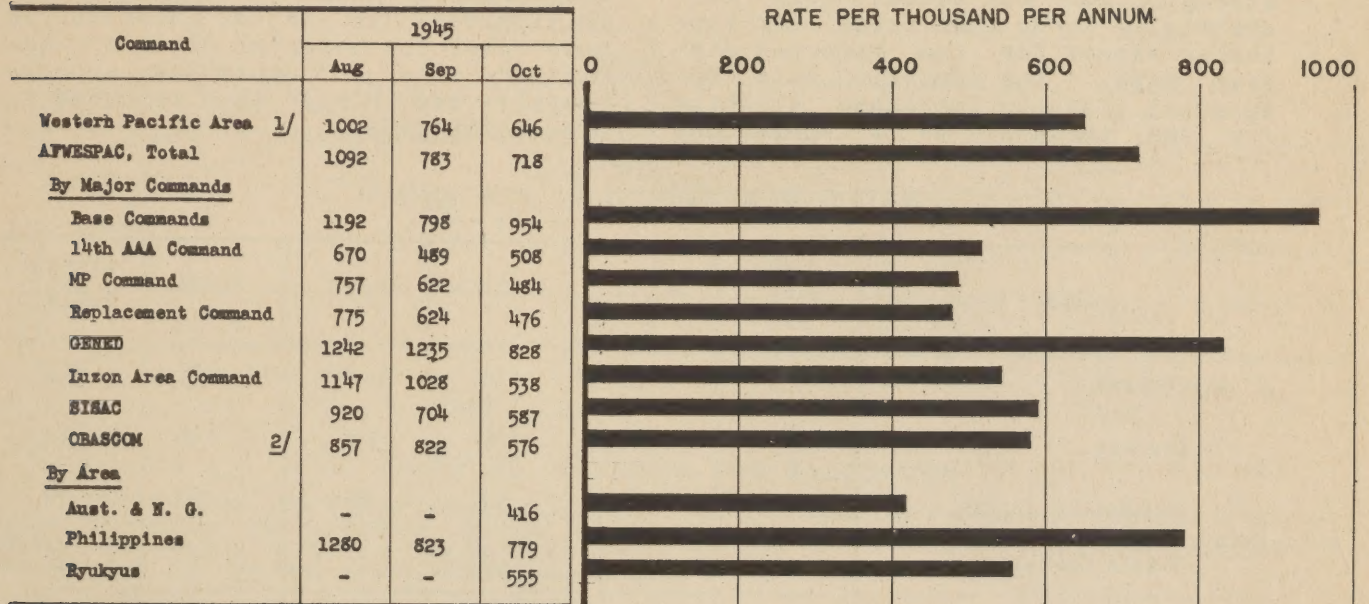


ADMISSIONS TO SICK REPORT- ALL CAUSES BY MAJOR COMMANDS - WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

The admission rate to sick report for GENED and Luzon Area Command which heretofore had been the highest of all major commands fell below the average for this group during October.

The admission rate for Replacement Command troops was the lowest of all major commands.

It appears that that psychological factors were largely responsible for the low admission rates for troops in both the Replacement Command and Luzon Area Command since a large proportion of personnel of these commands were staging for redeployment to the United States.



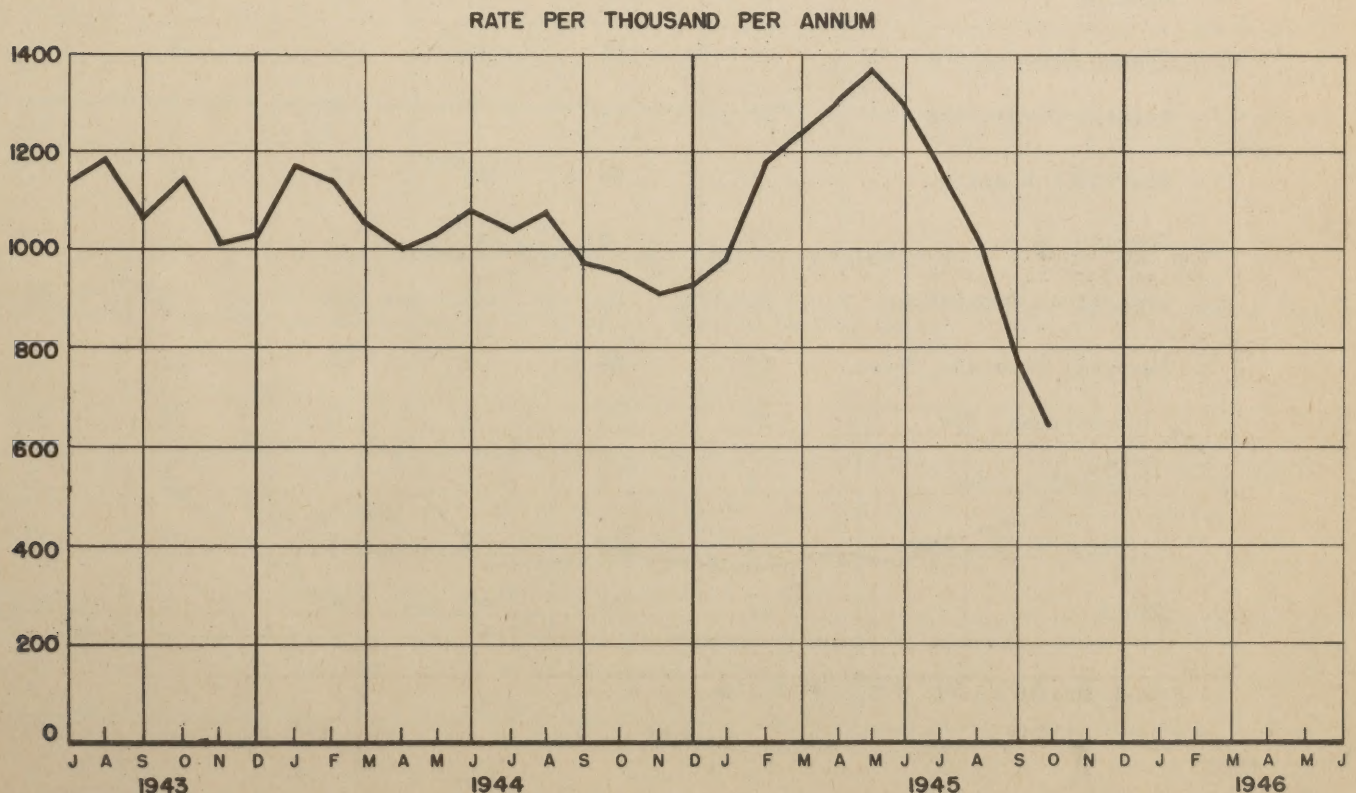
^{1/} Includes AFWESPAC, FEAF, 6th Army, 8th Army, XXIV Corps, and ATC.

^{2/} Previous to 15 October, rates refer to ASCOM I.

WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

The admission rate to sick report for all causes continued the sharp decline registered

during the previous four months, and for October reached the lowest level ever reported for this theater.



ADMISSIONS TO SICK REPORT
HOSPITAL AND QUARTERS
4 WEEK PERIOD ENDING 26 OCTOBER 1945

During October, the admission rates to sick report per thousand strength for all causes were substantially lower than those for September except for the venereal disease rate. The admission rate for venereal diseases increased slightly for the theatre as a whole due

principally to an almost three-fold increase in the rate for Japan and a slight increase in the rate for the Philippines. It is of interest to note that the venereal disease admission rate in Japan was approximately two thirds that reported in the Philippines.

RATES PER THOUSAND PER ANNUM

CAUSE	AUST. AND N.G.	P. I.	RYUKYUS	JAPAN	KOREA	WESTERN PACIFIC
All Causes	399	728	453	644	493	646
Disease	329	647	356	578	438	568
Non-Battle Injury	70	81	97	66	60	78
Battle Casualty	-	-	a/	-	-	a/
Neuropsychiatric Diseases	16	21	8	8	10	15
Psychiatric	16	17	6	7	9	12
Organic Neurological	a/	4	2	1	1	3
All Communicable Diseases	102	372	114	279	172	294
Malaria	14	20	27	34	13	24
Common Respiratory	40	125	34	108	86	104
Mycotic Dermatoses	17	17	7	8	4	13
Diarrheal Diseases	3	56	15	21	19	37
Dengue	3	6	a/	1	a/	4
Infectious Hepatitis	1	20	5	14	8	15
Venereal Diseases, New	13	98	6	64	36	71
Gonorrhea, New	11	72	1	51	28	52
Syphilis, New	1	8	3	4	3	6
Other V. D., New	1	18	1	9	5	13
Other	11	30	20	29	6	26

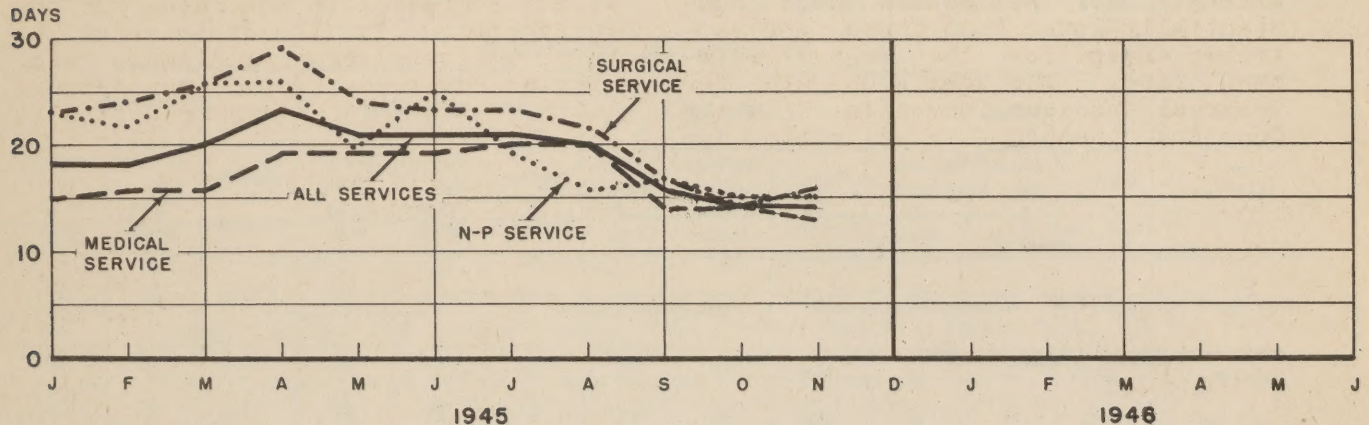
a/ Less than 1 per 1000 per annum.

AVERAGE DAYS OF HOSPITALIZATION — AFWESPAC

PRIOR TO DISCHARGE TO DUTY

The low average stay in hospital for patients discharged to duty by AFWESPAC hospitals recorded in October was continued during November. On the

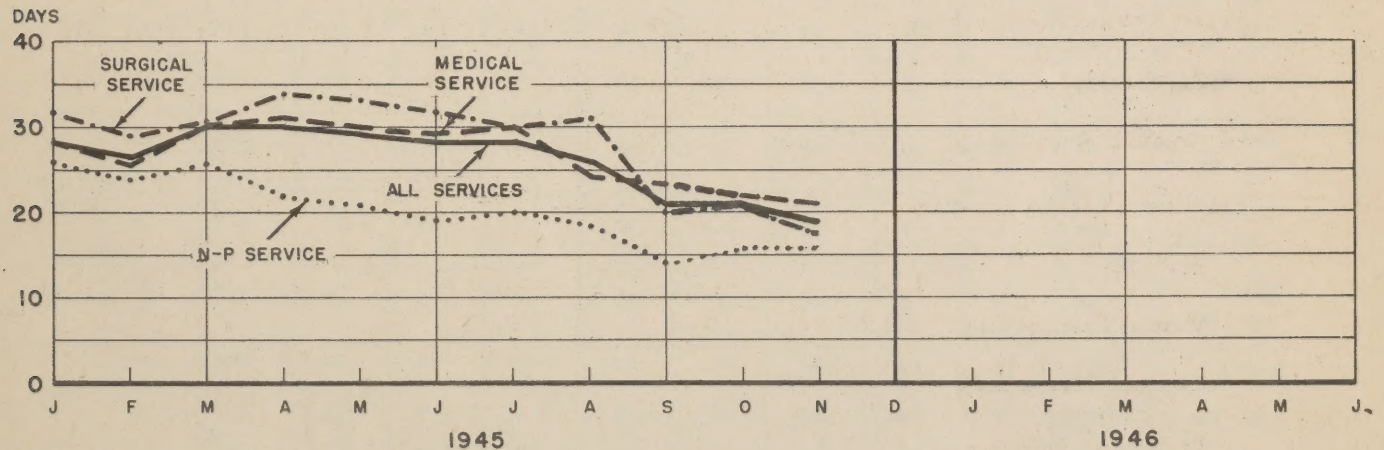
average, patients were hospitalized for 14 days before returning to duty.



PRIOR TO BOARDING FOR EVACUATION

During November the average stay in hospitals prior to boarding for evacuation to the United States decreased to a new low figure of 19 days. The averages for the Medical and Neuro-psychiatric

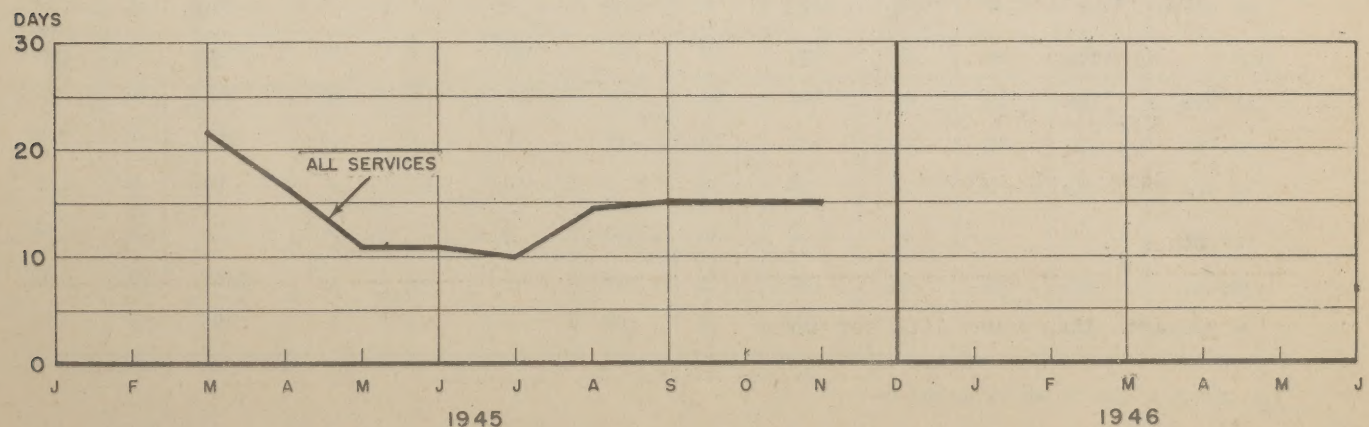
services remained the same as reported for October, but the Surgical services recorded a low average of 18 days.



BETWEEN BOARDING AND EVACUATION

After being boarded for evacuation to the United States, patients spent an average of 15 ad-

ditional days in hospitals before leaving the Western Pacific Area.



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AVERAGE DAYS OF HOSPITALIZATION PATIENTS DISCHARGED TO DUTY

AFWESPAC—NOVEMBER 1945

Patients discharged to duty by AFWESPAC hospitals during November had spent on the average 12 days in the last hospital and 14 days in all hospitals; the same average periods of hospitalization as were recorded during October. Those hospitals which were mentioned in October as having hospitalized their patients for longer than average periods

showed favorable reductions during November. The high average stay in all hospitals for patients discharged from the 4th General Hospital may be attributed to the number of complicated cases sent there from other installations for specialized care.

BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITALS

Hospital and Location	MEDICAL			SURGICAL			NEUROPSYCHIATRIC			ALL SERVICES		
	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.
AFWESPAC	13634	11	13	6818	13	16	605	13	15	21057	12	14
ORASCOM	1417	11	11	943	12	12	118	14	14	2478	12	12
9 Gen	471	14	14	280	14	14	60	17	18	811	14	14
9 Sta	49	12	12	83	16	16	6	12	12	138	14	14
75 Sta	201	9	9	155	10	10	7	9	9	363	9	9
381 Sta	185	10	11	154	15	16	24	10	10	363	12	13
36 Field	133	11	11	134	7	7	11	8	8	278	9	9
69 Field	257	8	8	95	9	9	5	5	5	357	8	8
87 Field	106	16	16	34	19	19	5	26	26	145	17	17
BASE F 119 Sta 1/	63	10	10	40	13	13	6	13	13	109	11	11
BASE G 119 Sta 1/	159	9	9	64	10	10	2	13	13	225	9	9
BASE H 17 Sta	94	8	8	96	14	14	7	5	5	197	11	11
BASE K	2514	11	12	1245	11	12	71	10	10	3830	11	12
44 Gen	429	12	15	143	14	16	1	5	5	573	13	15
126 Gen	789	13	13	374	14	14	61	11	11	1224	13	13
117 Sta	603	12	12	427	11	12	3	9	9	1033	12	12
155 Sta	19	5	5	29	7	7	3	6	6	51	6	6
1 Field	148	8	8	63	8	8	0	-	-	211	8	8
90 Field	526	8	8	209	8	8	3	4	4	738	8	8
BASE M	1809	10	10	708	12	12	42	12	17	2559	10	11
31 Gen	168	13	20	202	18	19	10	10	21	380	16	19
37 Sta	261	12	12	79	13	14	3	8	8	343	12	12
85 Sta	56	8	8	35	8	8	0	-	-	91	8	8
107 Sta	7	9	11	6	15	18	0	-	-	13	12	14
360 Sta	947	10	10	202	9	10	29	13	16	1178	10	10
34 Field	370	6	6	184	8	8	0	-	-	554	7	7

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AVERAGE DAYS OF HOSPITALIZATION PATIENTS DISCHARGED TO DUTY AFWESPAC-NOVEMBER 1945

BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITALS (Continued)

Hospital and Location	MEDICAL			SURGICAL			NEUROPSYCHIATRIC			ALL SERVICES		
	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Last Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.
SUB-BASE R 165 Sta	545	12	13	373	12	13	20	16	16	938	12	
SUB-BASE S 59 Sta	314	8	8	120	10	10	0	-	-	434	9	9
BASE X	6307	12	16	3161	14	20	337	13	16	9805	13	17
4 Gen	1214	9	29	739	11	31	41	11	26	1994	10	29
49 Gen	85	17	17	102	18	18	2	18	18	189	18	18
60 Gen	22	11	11	12	12	12	0	-	-	34	11	11
80 Gen	407	14	15	276	15	16	23	13	14	706	14	15
120 Gen	940	12	12	577	15	15	40	15	16	1557	13	13
247 Gen	627	10	10	367	15	15	39	17	17	1033	12	12
248 Gen	563	14	18	154	17	26	21	12	23	738	15	20
249 Gen	65	6	6	15	6	6	5	5	5	85	6	6
311 Gen	674	18	20	571	16	17	13	20	20	1258	17	19
313 Gen	426	9	11	205	12	17	9	14	14	640	10	13
314 Gen	1053	14	14	0	-	-	143	12	14	1196	14	14
65 Sta	99	8	8	14	11	11	0	-	-	113	8	8
89 Sta	72	8	8	69	11	11	1	22	22	142	10	-
162 Sta	60	7	7	60	7	7	0	-	-	120	7	7
96 D. A. C. 13 Sta	412	9	9	68	9	9	2	11	11	482	9	9

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AVERAGE DAYS OF HOSPITALIZATION
PRIOR TO BOARDING FOR EVACUATION

AFWESPAC-NOVEMBER 1945

During November patients spent an average of 19 days in all hospitals prior to being boarded for evacuation. Of this time 12 days, on the average, were spent in the boarding hospital. The following

hospitals should place greater emphasis on prompt boarding of patients for evacuation to the United States: 119th Station Hospital; 49th, 248th, and 311th General Hospitals.

Hospital and Location	MEDICAL			SURGICAL			NEUROPSYCHIATRIC			ALL SERVICES		
	Number of Patients	Average Days in Boarding Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Boarding Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Boarding Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.	Number of Patients	Average Days in Boarding Hosp.	Average Days in all Hosp.
AFWESPAC	1487	13	21	1304	11	18	578	12	16	3369	12	19
ABSEC 153 Sta	2	10	24	2	3	87	0	-	-	4	7	55
BASE F 119 Sta 1/	1	17	17	1	29	51	0	-	-	2	23	34
BASE G 119 Sta 1/	10	14	14	10	14	14	1	12	12	21	14	14
BASE H 17 Sta	22	7	7	13	7	7	4	3	3	39	7	7
BASE K	326	14	19	254	9	15	127	8	10	707	11	16
44 Gen	174	13	18	67	14	20	2	5	5	243	13	18
126 Gen	152	16	20	187	7	13	125	8	10	464	10	14
BASE M 31 Gen	187	16	28	123	12	25	53	17	35	363	15	28
SUB-BASE R 165 Sta	27	18	25	50	14	19	5	25	26	82	16	21
BASE X	810	12	21	759	11	19	361	12	16	1930	12	19
4 Gen	350	8	20	328	9	21	76	11	19	754	9	20
49 Gen	46	17	20	39	24	26	8	17	18	93	19	22
60 Gen	4	9	9	11	11	11	0	-	-	15	11	11
80 Gen	67	18	22	48	14	18	30	18	20	145	17	20
120 Gen	101	12	13	146	10	11	21	19	22	268	11	13
248 Gen	122	16	33	49	16	30	21	17	37	192	16	33
311 Gen	52	22	25	77	12	18	12	18	25	141	16	21
313 Gen	42	9	10	57	8	12	3	13	13	102	9	11
314 Gen	26	18	28	4	14	35	190	9	15	220	10	17
ORASCOM 233 Gen	102	15	18	92	11	13	27	14	16	221	13	16

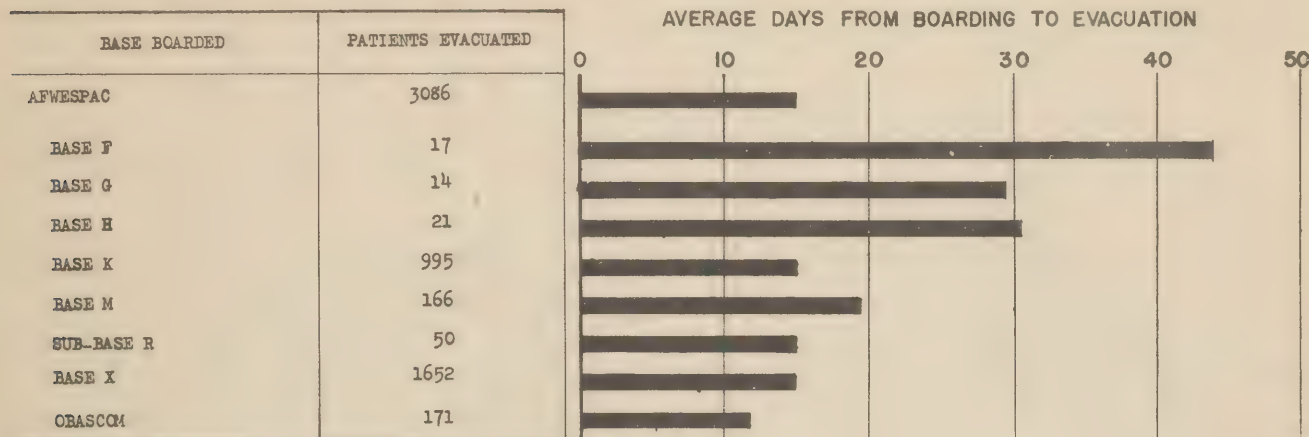
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AVERAGE DAYS OF HOSPITALIZATION
BETWEEN BOARDING AND EVACUATION
AFWESPAC—NOVEMBER 1945

Patients evacuated to the United States during November spent 15 days on the average in an AFWESPAC hospital after their evacuation had been recommended by hospital Disposition Boards. The relatively longer average interval between boarding

and evacuation recorded for patients evacuated from Bases F, G and H may be attributed to the remote location of these bases, and the consequently irregular medical evacuation facilities available to them.



NUMBER OF PATIENTS REMAINING IN HOSPITAL
OVER 60 DAYS
AFWESPAC—AS OF 30 NOVEMBER 1945

On 30 November there were 252 patients in AFWESPAC hospitals who had been hospitalized in excess of 60 days, as compared with 142 such patients on 31 October. The increase may be attributed principally to the fact that a large group of

patients were awaiting evacuation to the United States at the 49th General Hospital. These patients were to leave the theater shortly after 1 December.

HOSPITAL AND COMMAND	TOTAL 60 DAYS AND OVER	60 - 89 DAYS	90 - 119 DAYS	120 DAYS OR OVER
AFWESPAC	252	207	37	8
BASE K 44 General	13	10	3	-
BASE M 31 General	21	21	-	-
BASE X	203	167	29	7
4 General	7	7	-	-
49 General ^{1/}	150	123	24	3
120 General	2	2	-	-
247 General	5	5	-	-
248 General	12	12	-	-
311 General	4	3	1	-
313 General	19	11	4	4
314 General	4	4	-	-
OBASCOM	15	9	5	1
9 Station	1	-	1	-
9 General	14	9	4	1

^{1/} Designated as a holding hospital.

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MEDICAL EVACUATION TO U. S. BY SELECTED CAUSES
WESTERN PACIFIC AREA
JANUARY 1943—NOVEMBER 1945

A total of 3,086 Army patients were evacuated to the United States during November. The rate of medical evacuations among Army troops in the Western Pacific Area, exclusive of Korea and Japan, has been reduced from 88 per 1000 per annum in

September to 51 per 1000 per annum in November. The evacuation rate for psychoneurosis and psychosis has decreased in approximately the same proportion as that for other conditions.

MEAN STRENGTH	192179		554224		813511 ^{1/}		928679 ^{1/}		729682 ^{1/}	
Cause of Evacuation	Year 1943		Year 1944		1st 9 mo.		Oct 45		Nov 45	
	Cases	% of Total Cases	Cases	% of Total Cases	Cases	% of Total Cases	Cases	% of Total Cases	Cases	% of Total Cases
T O T A L	8294	100.0	31304	100.0	58279	100.0	4972	100.0	3086	100.0
Rate per 1000 per Annum	42.3		56.5		95.5		64.2		50.8	
Battle Casualty and Sequelae	551	6.7	2852	9.1	12362	21.2	97	2.0	11	0.3
Non-Battle Injury and Sequelae	751	9.1	3134	10.0	7316	12.6	951	19.1	626	20.2
Dermatitis	236	2.9	5884	18.8	11646	19.9	1075	21.6	601	19.4
Diseases of Central Nervous System	3506	42.3	10610	33.9	12702	21.9	858	17.3	576	18.6
Psychoneurosis	2303	27.8	5078	16.2	6717	11.6	371	7.5	208	6.7
Psychosis	862	10.4	4416	14.1	4543	7.8	302	6.1	262	8.4
Organic Neurological Diseases ^{2/}	223	2.7	1098	3.6	1431	2.5	164	3.3	98	3.2
Others	118	1.4	18	a/	11	a/	21	0.4	8	.3
Respiratory Diseases	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	328	6.6	205	6.6
Tuberculosis	97	1.1	334	1.1	456	0.7	61	1.2	36	1.1
Asthma	480	5.8	1004	3.2	1279	2.2	76	1.5	79	2.6
Others	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	191	3.9	90	2.9
Gastro-Intestinal Diseases	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	261	5.2	159	5.2
Amebic Dysentery	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	69	1.4	40	1.4
Bacillary Dysentery	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	9	0.2	0	-
Peptic Ulcer	286	3.5	539	1.7	612	1.1	64	1.3	31	1.0
Others	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	119	2.3	88	2.8
Hepatitis	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	286	5.8	306	9.9
Pre-existent Physical Defect	401	4.8	901	2.9	2318	4.0	241	4.8	125	4.6
Arthritis	493	5.9	1351	4.3	1569	2.7	144	2.9	60	1.9
Genito-Urinary Diseases	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	137	2.8	70	2.2
Medical	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	72	1.5	5	0.1
Surgical	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	65	1.3	65	2.1
Cardio-Vascular Diseases	274	3.3	606	1.9	645	1.1	106	2.1	43	1.4
Hypertension	59	0.7	158	0.5	328	0.6	15	0.3	8	0.3
Other	215	2.6	448	1.4	317	0.5	91	1.8	35	1.1
Diseases of the Ear	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	97	2.0	82	2.6
Neoplasms	31	0.4	162	0.5	336	0.6	44	0.9	41	1.3
Diseases of the Eye	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	38	0.8	51	1.6
Venereal Diseases	53	0.6	83	0.3	174	0.3	38	0.8	10	0.3
Surgical Complications	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	b/	28	0.6	26	0.8
Malaria	108	1.3	52	0.2	56	a/	12	0.2	6	0.2
All Other Conditions	1027	12.3	3792	12.1	6808	11.7	231	4.5	88	2.9

^{1/} Through 15 October excludes strength of 10th Army, ASCOM I, and AFPAC troops in Korea and Japan. After 15 October excludes only AFPAC troops in Korea and Japan.

^{2/} Includes Epilepsy.

a/ Less than 0.1%.

b/ Previously included in part or in total in All Other Conditions.

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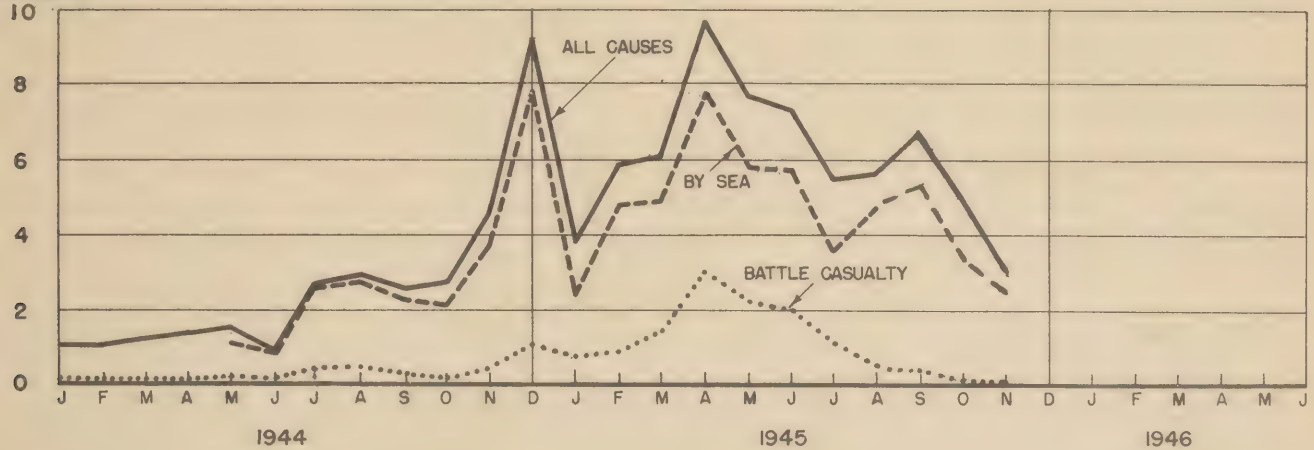
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EVACUATIONS TO UNITED STATES WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

TOTAL EVACUATIONS

The total number of medical evacuations to the United States during November was 3,086 of which 420, or 14%, were transported by plane. The projected available lift for December is 534 by air, and 2769 by water.

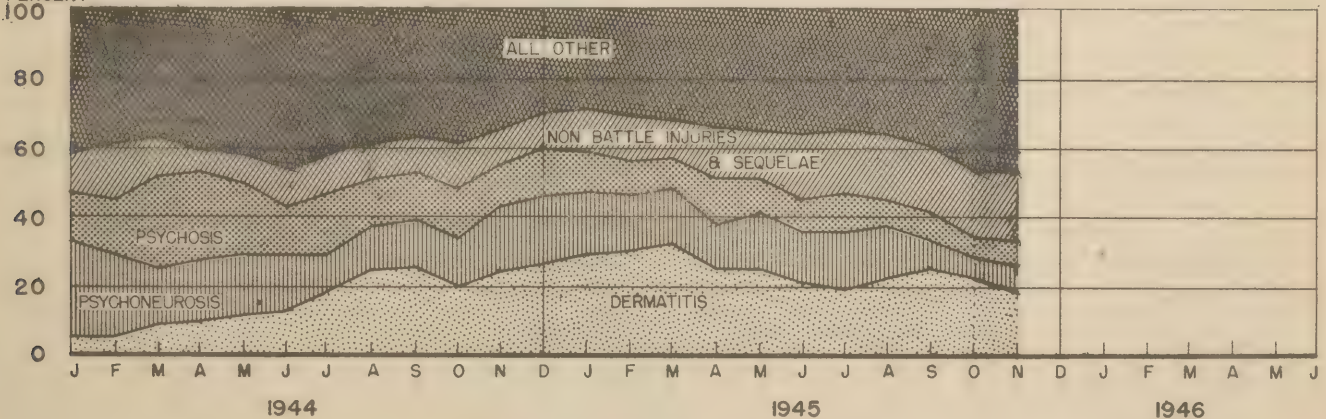
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NON-BATTLE MEDICAL EVACUATIONS

There were no significant changes in the distribution of non-battle medical evacuations to the United States during November.

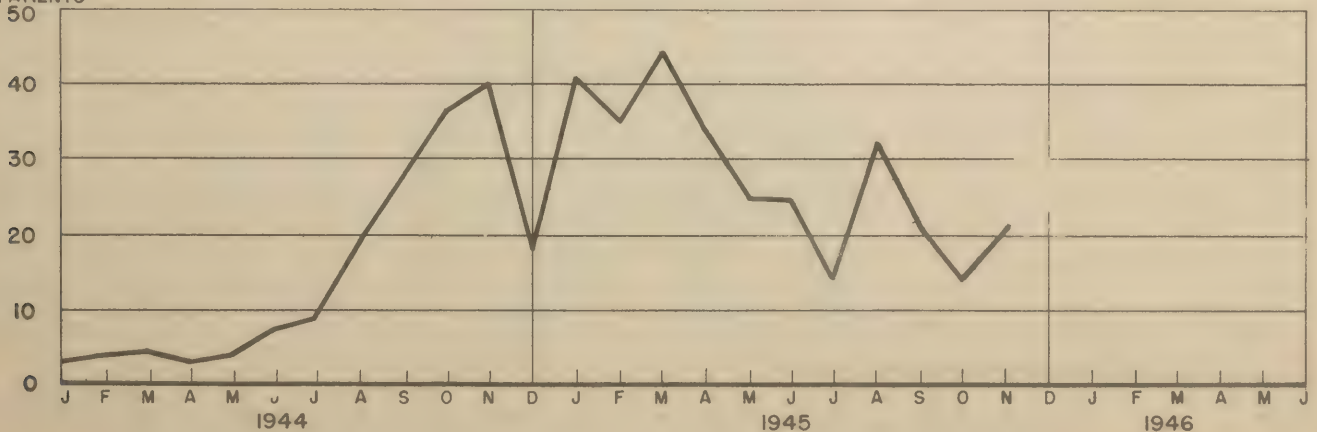
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PATIENTS AWAITING EVACUATION

The number of patients awaiting evacuation at the end of November (2102) was 43 percent more than the corresponding figure at the end of October (1474). The increase was due to the postponed sailings of hospital ships in the latter part of the month.

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PATIENTS



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MEDICAL

STATUS OF HOSPITAL BEDS

AFWESPAC - 30 NOVEMBER 1945

As of 30 November there were 46,350 T/O fixed beds in AFWESPAC hospitals (operating plus non-operating); this represents a decrease of 5000 beds from the previous month.

Similarly, as of 30 November, there were only 50 T/O non-fixed beds (16th and 39th Portable Surgical hospitals) as compared with 4100 T/O non-

fixed beds at the end of the previous month.

At the end of November, fixed hospitals totaling 20,950 beds were closed awaiting inactivation.

The ratio of fixed beds occupied to fixed beds established was reported at 60.7%.

FIXED AND NON-FIXED BEDS^{1/}

COMMAND	T/O FIXED	T/O NON FIXED	TOTAL
TOTAL AFWESPAC	46350	50	46400
AFWESPAC BASES	38250	50	38300
OBASCOM	7450		7450
96TH DIV AREA COM'D	650		650

FIXED BEDS^{1/}

COMMAND	STAGING	Closed for Inactivation	T/O Beds Operating	Established ^{2/} Beds	Beds Occupied	Percent Established Beds Occupied
TOTAL AFWESPAC	1250	20950	24150	21843	13266	60.7
ALL BASES	750	18250	19250	18560	11245	60.6
ABSEC	250					
F			250	250	40	16.0
G			250	250	56	22.4
H			250	350	45	12.8
K	500	2000	4300	3342	2159	64.6
M		5000	2300	2296	790	34.4
R		1500	750	1000	375	37.5
S			250	266	126	47.4
I		9750	10900	10806	7654	70.8
OBASCOM	500	2700	4250	2933	1792	61.1
96TH DIV AREA COM'D			650	350	229	65.4

^{1/} As defined in AR 40-1080, C 2, Par 36.

^{2/} Beds actually set up and ready for use.

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HOSPITAL BEDS—WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

Data for November in the first chart below are based upon provisional telegraphic reports, and are subject to correction when final complete reports have been received.

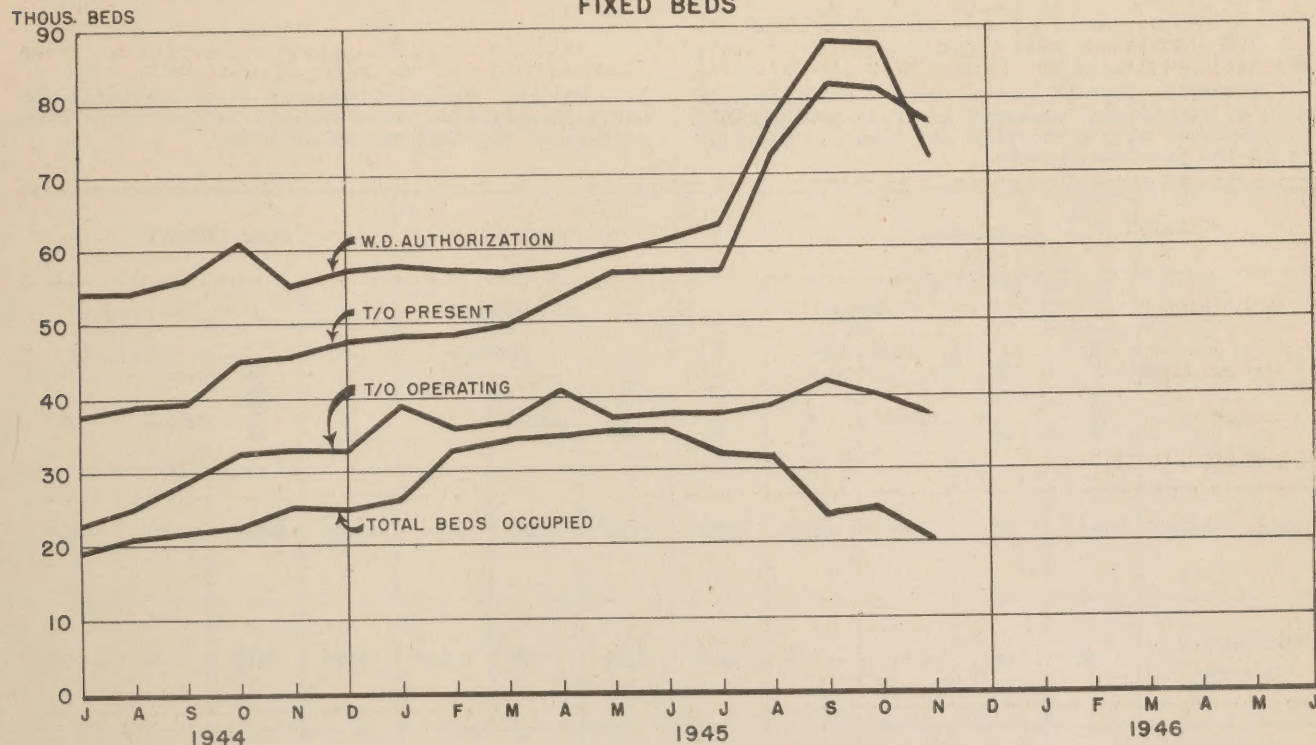
Due to the sharp decrease in strength occurring during November, the number of WD authorized T/O fixed beds for the entire Western Pacific Area fell sharply and, as of 30 November, was below the

total number of T/O fixed beds present.

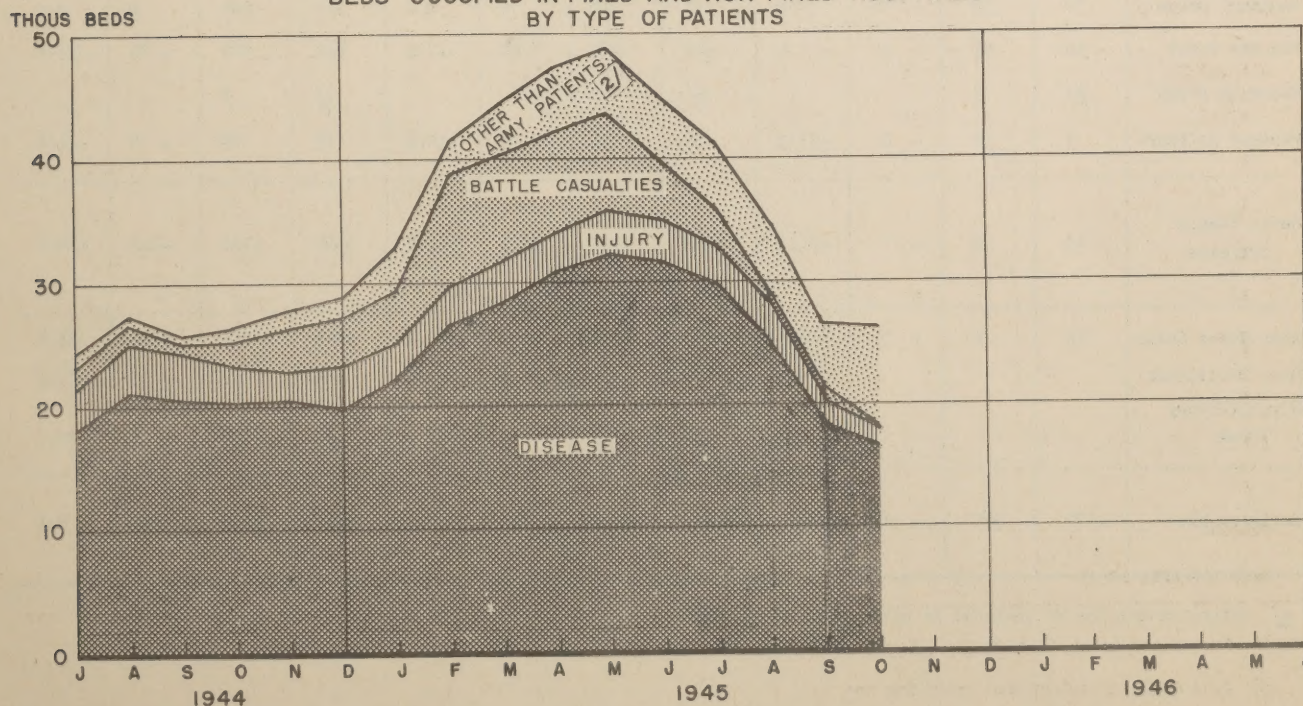
Less than 50% of all T/O fixed beds present were in operating hospitals.

The number of Army patients occupying beds continued its downward trend in October. However, the total occupancy remained practically the same due to an increase in POW patients.

FIXED BEDS



BEDS OCCUPIED IN FIXED AND NON-FIXED HOSPITALS^{1/} BY TYPE OF PATIENTS



^{1/} Non-fixed hospitals include clearing stations acting as hospitals.

^{2/} Includes Allied and neutral Armed Forces, Other U.S. Armed Forces, Prisoners of War and Civilians.

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MEDICAL

RECAPITULATION OF MEDICAL TROOPS
AFWESPAC
OVERAGES AND SHORTAGES
AS OF 30 NOVEMBER 1945

AFWESPAC Medical units were operating 4.1% short of authorized strength as of 31 October 1945 as compared with a shortage of 6.4% on the last day of the previous month.

Medical units in Category IV or scheduled for early inactivation were deleted before percentage overage or shortage was calculated.

	T/A UNITS				T/O UNITS				TOTAL AFWESPAC			
	Authorized	Assigned	OVERAGE OR SHORTAGE		Authorized	Assigned	OVERAGE OR SHORTAGE		Authorized	Assigned	OVERAGE OR SHORTAGE	
			Number	%			Number	%			Number	%
AFWESPAC, TOTAL	689	571	-118	-17.5	22792	22268	-506	- 2.2	23481	22839	-642	- 2.7
Total Male Officers	200	185	- 15	- 7.5	2028	1980	- 48	- 1.8	2228	2165	- 63	- 2.8
Medical Corps	76	64	- 12	-15.8	960	967	+ 7	+ 0.7	1036	1031	- 5	- 0.4
Dental Corps	21	21	0	0.0	415	459	+ 44	+10.6	436	480	+ 44	+10.0
Veterinary Corps	6	5	- 1	-16.6	16	14	- 2	-12.5	22	19	- 3	-13.6
Sanitary Corps	32	32	0	0.0	72	72	0	0.0	104	104	0	0.0
Med Adm Corps	62	57	- 1	- 1.6	549	452	- 94	-17.1	611	509	- 95	-15.6
Pharmacy Corps	a/	4			a/	3			a/	7		
Warrant Officers	3	2	- 1	-33.3	16	13	- 3	-18.8	19	15	- 4	-21.0
Total Female Officers	15	8	- 7	-46.6	1528	1760	+232	+15.2	1543	1768	+225	+14.6
Army Nurse Corps	15	8	- 7	-46.6	1450	1700	+250	+17.2	1465	1708	+243	+16.4
Hosp Dieticians					46	37	- 9	-19.9	46	37	- 9	-19.9
Physiotherapy Aides					32	23	- 9	-28.1	32	23	- 9	-28.1
Enlisted Men	474	378	- 96	-20.2	19236	18528	-708	- 3.7	19710	18906	-804	- 4.1

a/ Authorization for PC included in authorization for MAC.

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